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#### ENDORSED.

The number of commendations verbal and written which have poured in on the JOURNAL-OBSERVER for its course in regard to city improvements abundantly attest that a large majority of the people of Charlotte are in full sympathy with what it has said, and will sustain it in the course it has marked out for itself. Some of these endorsements are in stronger language than we would care to print, and therefore, as we will make no discriminations, we refrain from publishing any of them. We hope this explanation will be entirely satisfactory to those interested, who may rest assured that we do not intend to cease our labors in this direction, but will continue them until the improvements which are recognized as necessary, and of vital importance to the city are made.

Macon, Georgia, will be lighted by electric lights.

It is now intimated that O'Donovan Rossa is a British spy.

There is said to be much activity in the navy yards of England. Dynamite is a ptoent inciter to activity.

The Cincinnati Euquirer wants ex-Senator Thurman to come out from his retirement and run for Governor of

The Legislature of California has appropriated \$7,500 to aid the Ladies' Silk that State.

It seems we are to have more star ite trials in Washington. The people would much prefer to see those already begun wound up.

The Attorney General foots up the expenses of the Star Route trials at something like \$700,000, and the returns are not all in yet. As an encouragement to struggling

young men we state that twenty years ago, Messrs. Gould, Huntington, Stanfer l. Saye and Field were poor men. Mitchell, the newly imported English

prize fighter, seems to be a high toned individual. He speaks French, plays the piano, and cultivates an æsthetic moustache.

President Arthur is the only President who ever visited Florida and hook ed black bass. And Secretary Chandler is the only Secretary of the Navy who ever tried to navigate a wagon through that State and fell overboard.

The 806 Grant medals have at last been distributed. It seems that Don Cameron had them in his possession and dug them out of his plunder when arranging his effects for his contemlated European trip.

Helen Marcovitch was apparently born for disappointment. She some time ago tried to assassinate King Milan in the cathedral at Belgrade, but failed, and tried the other day to commit suicide in prison and falled in that

Your uncle Rufus Hatch, who re turned from Liverpool to New York last Friday says that "England is bankrupt in soil, politics, and religion." This will be very distressing intelligence to the English, and uncle Rufus "hadn't orter said it."

West Point, Mississippi, must be a live town. With 2,000 inhabitants it has recently raised \$60,000 for a nationall bank asoloo for a cotton seed oil I increased its tax list \$100,000 in one year, established a cotton exchange. voted \$6,000 to a railroad, and is talking of a \$69,000 cotton factory.

A Massachusetts lady who had suffered much from dyspepsia fell downstairs the other day, and was considerthat her dyspepsis had entirely disappeared. We would not however, advise all persons similarly afficied to fall down stairs.

"Arbor Day" is getting to be a very interesting occasion out West, and if the enthusiasm is kept up from year to year the evils resulting from the reckless destruction of trees will be counferacted in a few years. The Governora Hansas and Nebraska each issued a ation this Spring in favor of tree planting, and in one town in Kansas arrangements were at once made to set out 2,000 shade trees. Nebraska was quite as enthusiastic.

The New York Sun is helping on the of that law, and is entitled to trial in Tilden boom, which is all well enough. The Receral court Tennessee vs. Dabut if Tilden should be nominated, vis. 100 vs. 217—that the protection which is not likely what securance is which is not likely, what assurance is there that the Sun would not com-lawfully assist him in the performance modes to snear at and beliffle him just of his official duty, and that therefore before the election as it did Hancock in the case and person of the plaintiff in early. The Sun is suspiciously aexicus Circuit Court of the United States. The about the platform and the candidates judgment of the Supreme Court of the Demogratic party in 1884, and is South Carolina is reversed with costs supernaturally generous in volunteering advice to the party, with which, we independ of the Circuit Court for the country of Spartanburg and directing county of Spartanburg and directing the court to dismiss proceedings for the want of included the County of Spartanburg and directing the county of Spartanburg and di

ton . The American people will no doubt be glad to learn from a writer in the Forest and Stream that President Arthur is a boss angler, fish angler, we mean, and that "no man can pitch a tent more quickly, adors a camp more tastefully, cast a fly more deftly, fight a salmon more artistically, or bring him to gaff more gracefully" than he, and that "it has been his good fortune to Mr. Johnson's family.

NASHVILLE, April 23.—News reacted here yestering of the death of Mrs. Stover, sister of the late President Johnson, at Union Depot, Carter country, Tenn. She was hursed at Greenville Wriday. This leaves Mrs. Patterson, who formerly presided at the White House, the last survivor of the late Mr. Johnson's family. kill the Margest salmen every taken with a fly on this continent." On read-ing the whole article we come to the conclusion that a very extraordinary is ordinary President.

#### THE MEETING TO-NIGHT. If the meeting to be held to-night to nominate candidates for Mayor and

Aldermen is to be a Democratic Convention none but Democrats, who intend to abide by its decision, ought to be permitted to participate in its deliberations. If it is, on the other hand, to be a mere mass meeting of citizens it ought not to have been called as a Democratic Convention. Either of these propositions, we take it, no one will deny, and as it has been called as a Democratic Convention we suppose nobody but Democratic voters, who will feel themselves bound by the nominations made, will take part in the proceedings, and when the candidates are announced we suppose they will receive the hearty support of the party. If any other course is going to be pursued we hope the meeting will be adjourned as soon as the fact is ascertained, and the municipal election allowed to become a scrub race, free to all entries, and devil take the hindmost. The Journal-OBSERVER is a Democratic newspaper, and believes in maintaining the party organization at all times. It will support the nominees of a . Democratic Convention, but will not feel bound to endorse the nominations which an assemblage of Democrats, Liberals, Republicans and boys may choose to make. We hope, therefore, that the first thing which will be done this evening will be the ascertainment of the true character of the meeting and the passage of a resolution pledging those present to abide by the choice made, and if any objection is made to this that the chair. man of the Executive Committee immediately declare the meeting, as a

Democratic Convention, adjourned. We again express the hope that the gentlemen who may be selected to govern the city, will be progressive, wide-awake, public spirited men who will actively promote the completion of Association to foster the industry in all needed improvements in the city, and push her steadily to the front. ---

### THE MAYOR'S CARD.

We publish elsewhere a card from Mayor DeWolfe, from which it will be seen that he is not a candidate for re election, and that his name will not go before the convention. We are glad to receive the endorsement of the Mayor in the course we have pursued in regard to city improvements, but he is mistaken in supposing that any back handed slap" was intended by the JOURNAL-OBSERVER for the present board. We were looking to the future, and not to the past of the city in what we said. In all that the Mayor says about the graded schools, and the other public interests which have come under the care of the present board, we heartily concur, and we congratulate him on what they have accomplished. Now, let us have a board that will keep up the good work and improve upon itand we will have a city to be proud of indeed.

#### Decisions by the United States Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, April 23.- A decision was rendered by the Supreme Court of John B. Slows in vs. the Grand Street Prospect Park and Flatbush Railroad Company, of Brooklyn, N. Y. This was a suit brought by Slowson for infringement of patents on an improved and very extensively used form of fare boxes for horse cars. The Court holds that patents are void for reason that they do not embody inventions within the meaning of the patent laws. The decree of the Circuit Court in favor of the railroad company is affirmed Opinion by Justice Woods. A decision was also rendered by the Court to-day in the case of the Baltimore & Potomac Railroad Company vs. the Fifth Bap tist Church, in Washington, D. C., which was a suit for damages brought by the company on account of alleged injury to the property of the former cause by the erection and maintenance of an engine house and machine shop on the land adjoining the church edifice. The Court holds that the railroad company is liable in damages and the fact tha city and construct such works, &c. as might be necessary constitutes no de fense to the suit brought by a private individual whose property has been injured. Judgment of District Supreme court affirmed. Opinion by Justice

et al against the State of South Caro-lina, brought here on a writ of error from the Supreme Court of that State.
Davis, praintiff in error, corporal in the
U.S. Army, while assisting a deputy
marshal to arrest a person charged with violating the internal revenue

laws, accidentally shot the latter and

him. We was arrested under manslaughter. Upon being granted new trial he filed a petition for the re moval of his case to the Circuit Court of the United States. This peti-tion was granted, but the State tion | was | granted, but | the the appeal declared it invalid. This court holds that the marshal of deputy marshal of the United States engaged officially in the lawful attempt to enforce the revenue law by the arrest of persons accused of offenses against it is an officer acting under the authority

### tice Matthews. DAT Death of Mrs. Stover.

Death of Hon, Pierre C. Vanwyck.

WHITE PLAIMS, N. Y., April 28.—Hon
Pierre C. Vanwyck, superintendent of
Us. United State assemble. New.
York died at his residence in Sing Sing

### UNCHAINED BORBAS. A CYCLONE SWEEPS DOWN ON MISSISSIPPI TOWNS.

Dwellings Leveled to the Ground and the Inmates Buried Under the Ruins, and Trees Uprooted and Swept Away Like Pipe Stems.

NEW ORLEANS, April 23.-A Times-Democrat Wesson, Mississippi special says a frightful cyclone passed over Wesson and the town of Beauregard, a mile above, about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The wind for the past three days had been blowing a gale and lowering clouds indicated a storm. Its approach was known for some minutes by deep rumbling sounds, windows in dwellings shaking with violence and many people thought it was an earth-quake. Thunder roared and lightning flashed with alarming force and vivid ness. Fences were torn down and trees which had stood the storms for years were uprooted and cast hundreds of yards away. East of the railroad in

Weston the damage was light but in the western portion of the town there

is much destruction.
It was awful in its character. As soon as the storm had somewhat abated and the people began to look about loud peals of the church bells were rung out and the people were seen running in all directions toward west Wesson. The rain, meantime was pouring in torrents. Reaching Peach Orchard street an indiscribable scene was witnessed. This street is lined with a large number of houses in which operatives of the Miss:sstppi mills are domiciled, and here the greatest destruction occurred. People were seen on all sides sobbing and the groans of the wounded beneath the ruins were perfectly appalling. Dwellings were torn to atoms. A pine forest just be-

youd was blown out of existence. The

Calvin Reed, living in the vicinity died from excitement. Doctors Sexton, Rease and Butler. were soon upon the scene and did all in their power to relieve the suffering of the wounded. It is estimated that the number of killed is twelve. Two or three children are missing. One hundred and fifty or 200 dwellings were blown down. The number of people with broken limbs is estimated by the physicians at 75. The wounded were removed as fast as possible to houses which escaped injury. Several of the than an hour after the storm. The dead are now all laid out and coffins being

made for them. The mills will not rai

to-day. The citizens are doing all in

their power for the wounded, many of

whom it is feared will die. A special train with physicians from McComb City and Brookhaven has arrived, another extra special train will be here with additional help from Magnelia and Summit. Some of these phy sicians will go to Beauregard where the destruction to life and property is simply indescribable. Among the killed n Wesson are Mrs. Causty and two children, several children of J. E. Gibson, one of whom was found crushed under a chimney. Two persons were so mangled as to be unrecognizable and there are several others whose names could not be obtained in the confusion. A little boy was found in the woods several hundred yards away unhurt. Wesson, except in locality mentioned, suffered little except a general destruction of fences and trees. The dead will

be buried to-morrow. Beauregard was visited last evening. It is only a mile above here and lay in the direct path of the cyclone. The scene is absolutely appalling. Beauregard is no more. It is in truth a mass of ruins. It is with difficulty that one can ride through, so thickly are the trees strewn across the road. There is not a house of any character standing in the place. The two brick stores of Thompson & Co. and M Daniel & Co., the largest in the place, are swept away. Timber is scattered for miles around. Even out in the coun try 21/2 miles, dwellings were swept wounded is John Ross, mortally wounded, young Milton Story, killed, Morgan James, mortally wounded, Isaac Bloom, seriously wounded, M. M. Daniels, mortally wounded, Turnbull of Bookhaven, fatally wounded, Capt, Lampkin, wife and child, all dead, George Halloway. mortally wounded, Mrs. Halloway, leg broken, Mr. Wilcox, both arms broken. A. J. Ferguson and family, including ten persons, dangerously wounded. Mr Charles Lane, mortally wounded, Dr. Albert G. Pierce and child, mortally wounded. Their house fell on them. I. O. Williams, killed. The denot was swept away and not a sign of it now

JACKSON, MISS., April 23.—The following additional particulars from the man was destroyed and several persons killed and wounded. On the Vicks burg & Meridian Railroad, the town of Lawrence suffered terribly. Reports from other places and from the country show that the storm was wide spread and very destructive. graph lines were blown down for miles CHATTANOOGA, April 28 - A terrible storm swept over the city yesterday

and did considerable damage. Rully ten thousand dollars damage was done in this city by the storm last night. The depot, dwellings and stores were unroofed, fences thrown down and trees uprooted. Reports from the surrounding country show the storm to have been very destructive. The wires are down and the particulars are hard

The surrounding mountains protected this city from the great fury of the storm, but reports of serious damage to towns in North Alabama have reached

NEW ORLEANS, April 23.—A special to the Times Democrat from West Point, Miss, says a terrific gale from the northwest struck our town at 1:20 o'clock yesterday afternoon, accompanied by torrents of rain and the largest half ever seen here. The court house, lawyers' row, Central Hotel, Cotton Exchange office, Olympic Saloon, Henry House, Wahib Store, and Managen Holl, were all unroofed and materially damaged. Fences and trees were prostrated and considerable damaged. age was done. No lives were lost.

SAVANNAH, April 23.—A special the Morning News from Eastman, Ga, says a cyclone passed over that town early this morning doing great damage. Julii Register's house was blown down and his two children killed. Samuel Harris' house was demolished and his wife and children badly injured.

The Davil at Large in Danville. DANVILLE, VA, April 26.—A house was discovered on fire here this morning and after the flames had been extinguished the dead body of a negro man, name unknown, was found in the building with blood running from his wounds. His clothing had been saturated with herosens of had seen saturated.

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## THE CITY

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Middie Atlantic, light rain or snow, followed by partly cloudy weather, northerly to easterly winds, higher barometer, stationary or slight rise in temperature in southern portions, lower temperature in northern New York. South Atlantic, local rains, followed by fair weather, southwest winds, becoming variable, higher barometer, stationary or slight rise in temperature. Gulf, generally fair weather, higher barometer, stationary or slight fall in temperature, south to west winds, be-

coming variable. Tennessee and Ohio Valley, occasion al rain or light snow, colder weather in Tennessee, higher barometer, northeast to southeast winds in the Ohio Valley, variable winds in Tennessee,

#### LOCAL RIPPLES. - Tom Jones for a Saturday evening

drunk, yesterday appeared before the mayor's court and bade adieu to a \$5 - It is hardly necessary to remind the Democrats of the city, that a convention is to be held at 'Oates' Hall to-

night. - A german will be given by the Pleasure Club to-night, complimentary to Miss Roundtree, of Brooklyn, who has spent the past winter in our city.

work of removing the dead and extri-- The Chatauqua Scientific and Litcating the wounded from the ruins has erary Circle will meet at 8 o'clock this evening, at Mrs. Dewey's. The occasion to-night will be Shakespeare's memorial.

> -The Buford gave a royal dinner Sunday, the guests topping off on strawberries and cream, after dining ou peas, tomatoes and other extras in the way of vegetables. - The registration books close Fri-

> names by that day, will feel like they the train left. - The heart of this entire community goes out in sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. M. Oates, in the loss of their only

day, and those who do not give in their

child, which died vesterday afternoon, of pneumonia. The funeral will be held to-day at 4 p. m. -Sanday was the first day of the Jewish Passover, and was celebrated in all Hebrew families by big dinners, unleavened bread and wine. The feast of the Passover is observed as a general

holiday with the Jews, and closes next Saturday night. -Mr. Steven W. Davis was yesterday appointed a magistrate, by the clerk of the court, to fill out the unexpired term of Col. Jno. L. Brown, who recently resigned on being elected county commissioner. Mr. Davis' term expires in August, when he will qualify for another term, having been appointed a J.

P. by the last Legislature. - At a meeting of the stockholders of the Georgetown and North Caorlina Narrow Gauge Railroad Company in Georgetown last week Messrs. I Baum and B A Munnerlyn were elected directors of the road, and Mr R E Fraser secretary and treasurer. A committee of Messrs R Dozier, R E Fraser, D Risler, L S Ehrich and H Kaminski, were appointed to treat with Mr. Blanchard, of Boston, on his arrival in Georgetown, on the subject of building this

Matinee and Evening Performances. Miss Katie Putnam will give a man linee performence to morrowa fternoon at 2 o'clock, when our people will have an opportunity of seeing her in that delightful play, "Little Barefoot." This is one of her best productions and is well worth seeing. We hope the charming little actress will be greeted by a large audience. Wednesday night she appears in "Lena, the Madcap," and a large house is already assured her. Reserved seats are now on sale at the usual pla-

A Remarkable Fever Cake. David Foster, a colored man, who ived in the Greeneville suburbs of the city, died suddenly yesterday morning. and, at the request of his family, Drs. Wilder and Byers held a post mortem examination over the remains. The deceased had been sick with typhoid fever some time ago, and had been complaining lately of a disordered spleen. The physicians found his spleen to be of a most remarkable size, fourteen inches long and weighing 414 pounds, one of the largest "fever cakes" on record. His liver weighed nine pounds. An Old Election Paper.

Among the old papers unearthed at the court house vesterday by Capt. Erwin was the partial returns of the contest in this county between James K. Polk and Henry Clay. The election was held on the 4th of November, 1844. The only paper found bearing upon the election was the returns from McLeary's box, where 68 votes were cast, Polk re ceiving 55 and Clay 13. The names of the "superintendents" of election, John Hartgrove, A. F. Sadler and Andrew Greer, were all affixed to the paper, and the whole thing was fixed together with a big red wax seal.

Sudden Death of a Physician. Dr C M Glenn, an old and well known physician of Greensboro, died very suddenly in his office last Saturday evening. He was attending to a lady patient, when he suddenly remarked that he felt ill, and requested the lady to go down stairs and summon his son, which she at once did. When the Doctor's son came in he found his father lying to keep the stock from getting on the on the sofa, and was greeted with the

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Arrested for Shooting a Colored Man. Yesterday in Monroe a young man named Robert Crawford, was arrested by the town marshal, in response to a telegram from Lancaster ordering his arrest. Crawford is a citizen of Lancaster, and stated that the cause of his

arrest was a shooting scrape he had in that town last Saturday. He became involved in a difficulty with a colored man, when he pulled out a pistol and shot the darkey, how seriously we were not able to learn.

Rider Saved, but the Horse Drowned. Mr. George L. Phifer, of Lincolnton, had a lively adventure in the high waters at that place yesterday, losing his horse and having a close call for himself. He attempted to ford Clark's creek, notwithstanding its swollen condition and when about midway the stream, horse and rider began to waft in an unpleasant direction. Mr. Phifer managed to reach the bank in safety, but his animal was carried down the current and drowned.

### Nuisances that Ought to be Abated.

A complaint that is rather loud is being made by our citizens in regard to the big hole on Capt. F. S. DeWolfe's lot, corner of D and 7th street, at the place where rocks were taken out to put on the streets. It should be filled up and the authorities should see that it is done quickly, before some citizen loses his life by falling into the stony

A citizen asks us to call attention to the exposed condition of an old well near the city mills. It is forty feet deep and the water rising to the top runs off, giving it the appearance of an old field spring. It is dangerous and should be covered up.

#### A Distinguished Lady Dies From An Apopleptic Stroke.

The south-bound train on the Richmond & Danville Railroad, which arrived here yesterday afternoon, brought to Greensbore the remains of the late General of the United States. Mrs. engine. Philips died very suddenly in Washington City fast Saturday afternoon, of an apopleptic stroke. She had done her marketing in the forenoon and had with apoplexy and died within a few minutes. She was a native of Chapel Hill, and before she married Gen. Philips was a Miss Lucas. She afterwards moved with her husband to Raleigh, and on his appointment as Solicitor General, moved to Washington City with him, where her home was an abode of hospitality, elegance and refinement. Her remains were taken to Chapel Hill last night, where they

#### will be interred to-day. The Intermediate State Discussion

The Second Presbyterian Church was packed and jammed Sunday morningeven to the back seats in the gallery with an audience that had gathered to hear Dr. Miller's sermon on the "Intermediate State." The effort was one of the ablest and most exhaustive of this eminent divine's life, and was a topic of general conversation for the remainder of the day. Dr. Miller took strong grounds against the existence of an "Intermediate State," and his line of argument was skillfully woven and most ably sustained throughout. His illustrations were numerous and forcible, and upon the congregation his remarks appeared to make a deep and convincing impression. This sermon, it appears, was preached by request of a number of people who disagreed with the views of Rev. J. T. Bagwell, in a sermon on the same subject preached by him in the Tryon Street Methodist Church, several Sundays ago, and which was misconstrued by the congregation, some of them claiming it to be a support of the belief in purgatory, and others that it was not. Mr. Bagwell takes the ground that there is an intermediate state, and has been requested to reproduce his sermon. This he has consented to do, and will deliver the sermon again at at early day, but the time has not yet been appointed.

Cows on the Track. The cow that was killed on the rail road near High Point last week, causing the death of Engineer Gavle and the destruction of a freight train, cost the railroad company \$5,000. No doubt the company will be sued for killing the cow and will have to pay for the beast that caused all this destruction. People who know nothing of what a terror a cow on the track is to an engineer, are disposed to hold the opinion that engineers as a rule do not care whether they kill a cow or not, and some are so uncharitable as to believe that they try to kill every cow found on the track-No one ever held a more mistaken idea A cow is the greatest dread to an engineer, every one of whom would just as soon run their engine over a log, as to strike a cow, as there is just as much danger in one as there is in the other. Passenger trains, equipped with air brakes, being enabled to stop quickly, eldom strike a cow, but with long heavy freight trains it is different, and the sight of a cow shead, instead of being one to amuse the engineer, is one that chills his blood and fills him with dread. Instead of blaming engineers for killing their cows, the people along the line of the railroad should rather blame themselves for allowing their cows to kill the engineers. Superintendent Andrews says that the railroad company will pay ten dollars per mile in that portion of the country through which their road runs that is not under the stock law, to help the people build a line of fence on each side of the road

Rhoumatio Hogovery. HH Warner & Co-Sits -I take great pleasure in stating that I have been antivery sured of theu-manism by the use of your Eldney and Lives Cure. N. P. CHHOUSTER. THE STORM KING.

A Great Downpour of Rain all Over the Country -- Washouts and Slides on the Railroad .-- Swollen Streams and Flooded Tracks--- A Small Flood. The big storm that started in the

Rocky Mountains last Friday, and

which traveled eastward at a rapid

rate, struck this portion of the country yesterday morning about two o'clock, and after blowing things around, and thoroughly soaking everything earthly, passed on and wasted itself on old ocean. The rainfall was preceded here by a heavy wind and sleep-disturbing thunders, after which there was a calm for a few moments, when the rain came down in sheets, as if intent upon washing our old world away. The rain did not cease falling until about six o'clock. From all reports received yesterday the storm was general over the State, but particularly heavy to the north and west of it. Between Greensboro and Danville the rainfall was terrific, and the streams between those places were higher yesterday,it is stated for an actual fact, than was ever before known. The mail and passenger No. 52, due here yesterday at 2:10, did not arrive until after four o'clock, having been delayed by a washout and a fill-in, both within a quarter of a mile of each other, near Morehead, a station eight miles north of Greensboro. The washout, extending over fifteen feet of track, was quickly repaired, and the train passed over, but had scarcely resumed full speed before the engineer reversed his engine and applied the air brakes just in time to stop short of an immense ot of dirt that had tumbled down a hill and covered the track. This slide occasioned a considerable delay, as i required heavy work to remove it. All along the railroads the creeks and branches were out of banks, and the lowlands were a sheet of water. Beween Lexington and the Yadkin bridge a considerable stretch of track was under water, at some places deep

Mrs. S. C. Pailips, wife of the Solicitor- enough to be parted by the pilot of the The Carolina Central Railroad men report unprecedented rains both east and west of us. The Catawba river was yesterday higher than has been known lunch with her children, when a couple | the past winter, and there was water of hours afterwards, she was stricken everywhere. The wind did a good deal of damage to timber land by the destruction of trees, and some farmers who had planted their bottoms in corn will have it all to do over again. The rainfall was immense in the western section of this county, and it was yes terday impossible for the west side farmers to get to the city with wagons on account of the swollen condition of

## A Boy Ground Under a Turn Table.

Last Sunday afternoon, while Mr. James C. Cassidy, the boss carpenter of the round shop, was playing with his little son Charlie and a number of other boys at the old railroad turn table, hard by the city mills, an accident occurred which put a stop to the pleasures of the evening, and which came near putting a stop to the little boy's life. The party were amusing themselves riding round on the table, which was being propelled by a couple of colored men, when Mr. Cassidy's son Charlie tumbled from his seat and fell in front of the revolving table, which, swinging around, caught him between the wall of the pit and the butt of the table and passed on, having crushed the boy between a space only five inches wide He was picked up and carried home, it was thought, fatally wounded. Dr. McCombs was summoned, and, on make ing an examination, found that the little fellow's collar bone had been broken, his shoulder dislocated, and his body badly bruised. Yesterday he was resting all right, and bid fair to be out again in a week or two. How the boy escaped instant death is a marvel, but then there is an old saying that you can't kill a boy, yet it is not every boy who can squeeze through a five inch crack with such little damages.

## A Forged Patent.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The forgery of a patent was discovered at the paten ffice to-day. The circumstances con nected with it are as follows: On June 8, 1878, a patent for nut locks was issued to Wm. Sutton, of Purdy, Tenn, now of Paragoula, Ark. Recently Sutton transferred to P. J. Bennett and F. M. Threadgill, of Little Rock, for a consideration of \$5,000, what purported to be a patent for nut looks, issued on January 8, 1883, and the documents together with the letters of transfer were sent to the Patent Office to be recorded. Upon reference it was readily scertained that no patent was issued to Sutton on January 8, 1888. An investigation showed that the patent was not genuine and that in order to make transfer Sutton counterfeited the patent head, forged the signatures of Alonzo Bell, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, and E. M. Marble, Commissioner of Patents, and took from a genuine patent the seal of the patent office, which together with his original specifications he attached to the fraudulent certificate, thereby making it years to run. The fact that the seal has been removed from the genuine patent renders it invalid. The case will

Condensed Press Dispatches. Information was lodged against the American steamer. Tropic, yesterday at Philadelphia, that she was engaged to carry arms, munitions of war, &c, to insurgents in Hayti, in violation of the neutrality laws, and her officers were bound over by U.S. Commissioner Edmunds

Munda.

A terrible tornado swept over a portion of Iowa yesterday, doing much damage to towns, farm houses, &c.

A land slide at Black Qak, on the Knoxville and Ohio Railroad, yesterday blocked the trains. It will take three days to clear the track. There was a fierce storm also, and the heaviest rain in five years.

A destructive cyclone accompanied by heavy rain, passed through lower Georgia yesterday. In some parts the cyclone was a quarter of a mile wide.

Met and Adjourned.

Washington, April 33.—The com-mittee to investigate the charges sgainst Hill, supervising architect of the Treas-ury, met to-day. As neither witnesses nor accusers were present the commit-tee after waiting half an hour or more adjourned until 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

# A Card From Mayor DeWolfe.

You state in your Sunday morning paper that I am a candidate for re-elec-tion as mayor. I have told all those ject that I am not a candidate, and my name will not be before the convention as stated by you. Although we come in for a sort of back handed slap in your editorial on sewerage and other criti-cisms in matters effecting the welfare of our city, I heartily commend the course you are pursuing, for in this way reform and improvements are brough

about. Come again.

I trust I will be pardoned for indulging a certain degree of pride and satisfaction in reviewing the course of the present administration of our city government.

When I came into office the treasury was empty, there being only \$7.70 in it Since then without any increase of tax-ation, and with as low a rate of taxa-tion as has existed for many years, water works have been built, under a contract guaranteeing to furnish good pure water fit for domestic purposes, at a cheaper rate than is furnished to any town in my knowledge. It is true the water works company have not yet ful-ly complied with the contract, but the

cast of their plant is so great the end is assured. Then we have bought and paid for and have nearly refitted and ready for occupation, a city hall, which will be an ornament to the city, and will sup-ply a want long felt. On the city hall property we have erected two nice and substantial fire engine houses, and halls for the Neptune and Hook and Ladder companies, saving by the purchase of this property and these improvements an annual rental of five hundred and forty five dollars to the city and so pro-viding for these fire companies that their zeal and usefulness in serving the public will be greatly enhanced. Whave also bought for the use of the fire department, rendered necessary by the erection of water works, three splendid hose carriages at a cost of sixteen hundred dollars, also five hundred feet of fire hose, for five hundred dollars and a splendid fire bell a cost of \$541.77. In addition to this there has been more work of a permanent character done on the streets than ever before, with the exception of the years 1875-76, when the tax was double what it is now and when a large amount of arrears of taxes was collected under a decision of the Supreme Court. And above and be-yond and far more important than all tablished, and to day white and colored children are taught in buildings owned by the city for their use.

I willingly assume a large share of the responsibility for the purchase of the Carolina Military Institute proper ty, at the price of fifteen thousand dol ars, and I don't believe that amount of the people's money was ever so wel spent since Charlotte has had an existence. If the people are true to them selves and their children the purchase of the property makes their school per-manent. For myself I would not vote for any man, no matter how nominated who is not fully committed to the maintenance of these schools at all hazards. When you hear a man en-veighing against the purchase of this property, the buildings on which with out the 27 acres of ground, cost about twice the amount paid, you had better beware of him. I said to the board of aldermen immediately after the passage of the ordinance appropriating fif-teen thousand dollars for the purchase of this property, that I would rather be instrumental in its passage than to be re-elected to the office of mayor, I am content to retire feeling assured that I can never again promote the passage of any measure, fraught with so much

good to the people at large.

I am deeply sensible of the kindness and partiality shown me by the people of Charlotte, and I have tried to administer the affairs of this city so as to promote the best interests and happiness of the people. How well I have succeeded I cheerfully leave to them to say.

F. S. DEWOLFE.

## Anticipating the Cyclone.

NEW ORLEANS, April 23.—E. A. Burke, manager of the New Orleans Times-Democrat, was advised of the cyclone at four o'clock Monday morning while in New York. He at one instructed the employment of four physicians and purchase of me supplies to be sent by a special relief train from New Orleans to Beauregard and Wesson, also that a call be made eading the list with a contribution of The Wesson cotton mill, mentioned

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